



April 1, 2019

Chair Nancy Nathanson  
Members of the House Committee on Revenue  
900 Court St. NE  
Salem, OR. 97301

RE: Support for HB 3324

Dear Chair Nathanson and members of the committee.

Forth is a non-profit trade association that advocates for the advancement of electric, hydrogen, smart, connected, and autonomous mobility. Forth supports these initiatives through demonstration pilot projects, public outreach and education, industry networking and legislative and regulatory advocacy across the nation. Forth has over 160 members representing auto manufacturers, electric vehicle charging suppliers, industry partners, utilities, local governments, non-profits, and many additional stakeholders within the transportation electrification “ecosystem”. Forth also operates the nation’s first brand-neutral electric mobility showcase.

Forth supports HB 3324, a technical fix bill that creates an exemption to Oregon’s public gift law for electric vehicle charging vendors, thereby allowing them to temporarily hold the funds they collect at publicly owned charging stations and remit those fees to the state at a later date. This ensures that drivers have the same charging experience on any station across that vendor’s national network and allows for simple and secure payment processing. Electrifying our transportation sector is a crucial component in preparing for Oregon’s transportation future and meeting our state’s climate goals, and HB 3324 is a simple bill that will help facilitate this transition.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Jeanette Shaw'.

Jeanette Shaw  
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